

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA

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The County of Los Angeles (County) owns an approximately 82,250 square foot parking structure (Parking Structure) located within the Arts District area of Los Angeles at the northwest corner of South Hewitt Street and East 4th Place. The two-level concrete Parking Structure contains 235 parking spaces and serves the parking needs of staff and visitors to the Department of Public Social Services' (DPSS) Civic Center District and GROW offices located at 813 East 4th Place.

Since September 2000, an adjacent neighbor non-profit organization, Art Share Los Angeles (Art Share), has contracted with the County through a license agreement for the non-exclusive use of eight parking spaces at the Parking Structure during normal County business hours and for access and use of the entire parking structure on weekdays after County business hours and on the weekends. The license agreement has expired and is currently in effect on a month-to-month holdover basis. Art Share has indicated its need for the continued use of the Parking Structure and requested a new agreement for an initial term of two years with three options for additional one-year

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terms each.

Art Share is a community arts incubator whose mission is to shape lives through art, education and community action.

Granting Art Share the continued use of the Parking Structure on a gratis basis will benefit the County constituency because of Art Share's strong commitment to provide diverse programs to address the growing educational and social needs of the inner-city and to the promotion of cultural excellence to underserved communities throughout the greater Los Angeles area.

The proposed use of the Parking Structure does not impact, conflict or interfere with the operations of DPSS, which supports this continued use. Compensation for granting the use of the Parking Structure will be Art Share's faithful performance of its obligations under the terms of the license agreement.

I, THEREFORE, AS AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 26227,
MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Make a finding that a limited portion (eight non-exclusive parking spaces) of the Parking Structure located at 321 South Hewitt Street, Los Angeles is not needed for exclusive County use during normal business hours;
2. Make a finding that full access and use of the entire Parking Structure after normal business hours on weekdays and on the weekends does not impact, conflict or interfere with County use or operations;
3. Make a finding that a gratis license agreement for parking use is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Class 1 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines;
4. Make a finding that the programs and services provided by Art Share to the local community serve public purposes which benefit the County and its residents;
5. Approve an initial two-year gratis term with option rights for three additional one-year terms for Art Share to use the Parking Structure pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in a license agreement; and
6. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to negotiate the terms and conditions of a license agreement and instruct the Chair to execute it upon presentation by CEO to the Executive Officer – Clerk of the Board, after review and approval by County Counsel.